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Listing and Amendment of the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for operating a television apparatus ~~connected to a digital serial bus~~ having a digital serial bus connection to enable a recording function, the method comprising the steps of:
receiving, by the television apparatus, a user input selecting a designated video input source device ~~connected to~~ via the digital serial bus connection;
in response to the user input received by the television apparatus, establishing, by the television apparatus, a peer-to-peer connection between the designated video input source device and a digital recording device ~~connected to~~ via the digital serial bus connection; and
further in response to the user input received by the television apparatus, causing, by the television apparatus, the digital recording device to record digital content provided from the designated video input source device, wherein data ~~may be~~ is directly transferred between the designated video input source device and the digital recording device.
2. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 1, wherein the user input includes a user pressing a single key of a remote control device.
3. (ORIGINAL) The method of claim 2, wherein the digital serial bus comprises an IEEE 1394 compliant bus.
4. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 2, further comprising:
causing the digital recording device to continuously record video content provided from a tuning device of the television apparatus in response to user selection of the tuning device as the designated video input source device.

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5. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 4, wherein the causing step comprises causing the digital recording device to continuously record the video content provided from the tuning device of the television apparatus into a predefined buffer size of a storage medium of the digital recording device.
6. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 2, further comprising the step of displaying video content stored on the digital recording device on a display device associated with the television apparatus in response to user selection of the digital recording device as the designated video input source device.
7. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A television apparatus, comprising:
first means for receiving a user input by a receiver of the television apparatus selecting a designated video input source device connected to a digital serial bus;
second means for establishing, in response to the user input, a peer-to-peer connection between the designated video input source device and a digital recording device connected to the digital serial bus; and
wherein the second means further causes the digital recording device to continuously record digital content provided from the designated video input source device in response to the user input, and data ~~may be~~ is directly transferred between the designated video input source device and the digital recording device.
8. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The television apparatus of claim 7, wherein the user input includes a user pressing a single key of a remote control device.
9. (ORIGINAL) The television apparatus of claim 8, wherein the digital serial bus comprises an IEEE 1394 compliant bus.
10. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The television apparatus of claim 8, wherein the second means comprises means for causing the digital recording device to continuously record video content from a tuning device of the television apparatus in response to user selection of the tuning device as the designated video input source device.

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11. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The television apparatus of claim 10, wherein the means for causing causes the digital recording device to continuously record the video content from the tuning device of the television apparatus into a predefined buffer size of a storage medium of the digital recording device.

12. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The television apparatus of claim 8, further comprising means for displaying video content stored on the digital recording device in response to user selection of the digital recording device as the designated video input source device.

13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for operating a television apparatus ~~connected to~~ having a digital serial bus connection to enable a recording function, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving, by the television apparatus, a user input selecting a designated digital video input source device ~~connected to~~ via the digital serial bus connection;

establishing, by the television apparatus, a peer-to-peer connection between the designated digital video input source device and a digital recording device ~~connected to~~ via the digital serial bus connection in response to the user input received by the television apparatus;

displaying, by the television apparatus, digital content provided from the designated digital video input source device on a display device associated with the television apparatus in response to the user input; and

causing, by the television apparatus, the digital recording device to continuously record the digital content provided from the designated digital video input source device in response to the user input received by the television apparatus, wherein data ~~may be~~ is directly transferred between the designated digital video input source device and the digital recording device.

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14. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 13, further comprising the step of:

causing the digital recording device to continuously record video content from a digital tuning device of the television apparatus in response to user selection of the digital tuning device as the designated digital video input source device.

15. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 14, wherein the causing step comprises causing the digital recording device to continuously record the video content from the digital tuning device of the television apparatus into a predefined buffer size of a storage medium of the digital recording device.

16. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The method of claim 13, wherein the user input includes a user pressing a single key of a remote control device.